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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7246
BILL NUMBER: SB 302

DATE PREPARED: Jan 19, 2002
BILL AMENDED: Jan 17, 2002

SUBJECT: Professions and Occupations.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: ☒ **GENERAL**
☒ **DEDICATED**
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IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill requires certain health practitioners to follow the American Academy of Pediatrics guidelines for the diagnosis and evaluation of a child with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) before prescribing a psychotropic drug.

Effective Date: July 1, 2002.

Explanation of State Expenditures: This bill would add another item to the list of actions that subject physicians, advanced practice nurses, and physician assistants to disciplinary sanctions. A practitioner is subject to disciplinary sanctions if after a hearing, the board regulating the practitioner's profession makes a finding that a psychotropic drug was prescribed without following the American Academy of Pediatrics most recent diagnostic and evaluation guidelines. The fiscal impact would be dependent upon the number of hearings to be held by the appropriate licensing board to determine if this requirement has been breached.

Explanation of State Revenues: The Medical Licensing Board, the State Board of Nursing, or the Physician Assistant Committee would be able to assess a monetary penalty of \$1,000 per violation of the American Academy of Pediatrics guidelines. If a practitioner were determined in a hearing to not have followed the guidelines, the practitioner could be subject to a monetary penalty. Total penalties assessed by the Medical Licensing Board are currently unknown.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Medical Licensing Board, State Board of Nursing, and the Physician Assistant Committee.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: